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Price, \$24 per annum.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. ARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Posts generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco. SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAVAGE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THIS is to notify to the Public that the Undersigned RETIRED from the Firms of MESSRS TATA & CO. and EBRAHMINI PARANAY & CO. a few months ago; that AH CHUH has taken the vacancy in the former Firm; and that his Son, AN LIAU, has taken his place in the latter Firm.

The Undersigned hereby declares, that, having given all the Accounts to the satisfaction of his successors, he is free from any responsibility that may arise from any cause or dispute whatsoever hereafter.

EE TYE.

Hongkong, December 29, 1881.

NOTICE.

WE HAVE this day CLOSED the Branch of our Firm at YOKOHAMA.

REISS & CO.

Shanghai, 125 November, 1881.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by MESSRS KYNOCH & CO., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & CO.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has been instructed to offer FOR SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION on the Premises, on

SATURDAY,

the 31st December, 1881, at 3 p.m.— Subject to a Mortgage dated the 25th day of February, 1881, for securing the Repayment of \$13,000 with Interest thereon at 8% per centum per annum,

ALL THAT VALUABLE PIECE OR PARCEL OF GROUND

Abutting on the North side thereof, on other Portion of the said Lot at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 47 feet and 8 inches on the South side thereof, on the other Portion of the said Lot, at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 49 feet and 6 inches and on the West side thereof, on other Portion of the said Lot at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 52 feet and 7 inches, registered in the Land Office as Sub-Section 2 of Section D. of MAPING Lot, No. 69, with the BUILDINGS thereon, known as 87, 89, 91 & 93, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, and No. 1, TAUW SAW WEST STREET, including a free right of passage over the private thoroughfare known as "Sei Lano" (Tauw San, West Street). The Premises are held from the Crown for the Residue of the term of 999 years, at the apportioned Yearly Crown Rent and of \$4.15.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer;

or to

MESSRS STEPHENS & HOLMES,

Solicitors.

Hongkong, December 20, 1881.

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POSTPONEMENT.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CONCERT GRAND PIANO, BY BROADWOOD; GLASS, CROCKERY & PLATED WARE, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Colonel HALL, R.A., to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 5th January, 1882, at 2 p.m., at Mor- rison Hill.—The whole of his

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

DRAWING ROOM SUITE, OTTOMAN, CENTRE AND SIDE TABLES, FIRE GLASS, &c., &c. A CONCERT GRAND PIANO, BY BROADWOOD, in First Rate Order.

EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATEVER, FENDER AND FIRE IRONS, GLASS, PLATED AND CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, FIRST-RATE TABLE LINENS, &c., &c.

Also

A QUANTITY OF SAMPLERY AND BOOKS.

A NEW JINKINS, built to order at Tokio.

A NORTH-CHINA PONY.

And,

A LOT OF PLATES AND VALUABLE SLEEVES, ETC., ETC., ETC.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 30, 1881.

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FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.

THE British Barque "SPIRIT OF THE AGE," of 547 Tons Register or 8,500 Piculs carrying Capacity, built of English Oak and Teak, copper-fastened throughout, remodeled in February 1880. Masts and Spars nearly all new and general outfit in good condition, as she now lies in this Port.

For particulars, apply to the CAPTAIN on board, or to

VOGEL & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881.

FOR SALE.

THE above well-furnished House commands a fine view of the Harbour and Shipping, and the building is surrounded by a large Verandah, which makes this resort the Coolest Hotel in the East.

Charges—From \$2.50 to \$4 per day.

Porter to land and ship Baggage.

SMITH, SWIFT & CO.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

TO LET.

NO. 4, OLD HARLEY STREET,

NO. 8, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, from 1st

January.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.

Hongkong, November 25, 1881.

CHRISTMAS 1881.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

TABLE DELICACIES AND FANCY ARTICLES.

OUR STOCK for the PRESENT SEASON is now Complete and Ready for INSPECTION.

PLUM PUDDINGS, MINCEMEAT, CHRISTMAS CAKES, FANCY BISCUITS, FRUITS in NOYEAL, SYRUP of BRANDY, CRYSTALLIZED and METZ FRUITS, ASSORTED CANDIED PEELS, MUSCATEL RAISINS, JAMS, JELLIES, & JAM & JORDAN ALMONDS, FRENCH PLUMS, FRENCH

PRATE DE FOIE GRAS, ASSORTED PATES, OX-TONGUES in JELLY, COLLARED, SPICED and SMOKED ANCHOVY PASTE, POTTED MEATS and GAME, RUSSIAN CAVIARE, FRENCH TRUFFLES, &c., &c.

Hongkong, December 29, 1881.

For Sale.

Intimac.

TWELFTH DRAWING.

Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1874.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, in Hongkong, on the 31st December next; and in London on the 10th February, 1882, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were the day Drawn at the Offices of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, 31, Lombard-Street, E.C., in the presence of Mr. GEORGE HENRY BURNETT, Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary:

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
M-BOAT COMPANY.

NOTED

COMMENCING on SUNDAY, Instant, the Steamer "Pride" will leave HONGKONG for CANTON on SUNDAYS, instead of MONDAYS. Until further Notice her Departures will be from HONGKONG on WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS and SUNDAYS, at 6.30 p.m. From CANTON on TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 5 p.m.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 22, 1881.

Shipping.

Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates

CHEROO, NEWCHWANG, TIEN-

IN, HANKOW, and Ports on

the YANGTSE.

Ca. Co.'s Steamship

despatched on

the 3rd January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

The Co.'s Steamship

"Achilles,"

Capt. ANDREW,

will be despatched on or about

the 9th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship

"Andrea,"

Command. H. N. DIXON,

will be despatched for

SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from

Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship

"Menalith,"

Command. HOMERY,

will be despatched for

YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of

the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE.

CHRISTMAS STORES AND
NEW AND SEASONABLE
GOODS.EX FRENCH MAIL STEAMER.
MUSCATEL RAISINS.

METZ FRUIT.

ASSORTED GOSAQUES.
CALAIS & BOWSER'S CONFETIONERY.

BUTTER SCOTCH.

HONEY SCOTCH.

ROSE TOFFEE.

LEMON.

KELLOGG'S LIME JUICE.
PLUMS AND CURRANTS.

VALENCIA LIMASINS.

CHRISTMAS CARDS.
PRESENTATION BOOKS.

FANCY STATIONERY.

LAWN TENNIS SHOES.
KENTISH COB NUTS.Ex STEAMER "Glenfalloch".
STILTON CHEESE.

YORK HAMS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

TYSONS' DESSERT FRUITS.

ALMONDS AND RAISINS.

SMYRNA FIGS.

PICNIC TONGUES.

FILBERTS.

COCONUTINA.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
LIEGE'S & EPP'S COCOA.

FRENCH PLUMS.

HUNTER & PALMER'S BISCUITS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.

CHOCOLATE-MENIER.

SAUSAGES.

BROWN.

ISIGNY BUTTER.

DANISH BUTTER.

BREAKFAST TONGUES.

ANGLOVIES.

ASPARAGUS.

SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

CHAMPAGNES.

HENNESSY'S MONOPOLY & WHITE
SEAL.

LEUVI LIQUOT PUNARDIN.

JULES MUMM & Co., pints & quarts.

CLARETS.

CHATEAU LA ROSE, pints & quarts.

CHATEAU LAFITE.

IREN. GRAVES.

BREAKFAST CLARET.

SHERRIES & PORT.

SANCON'S MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLIAN.

SACCOMON'S OLD INVALID PORT

(1848).

HUNT PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.

1, 2 & 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

BISCUIT & COFFEE & CO.'S BRANDY.

FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LIQUOR WHISKY.

CHARTREUSE.

MARSCHINO.

CURACAO.

ANGOSTURA.

BEKERS & ORANGE BITTERS.

&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON &

SANDERS, pints & quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &

J. BURKE, pints & quarts.

PILSENER BEER, in quarts.

DRAUGHT ALES and EXPORT, by the

Gallon.

ALE AND PORTER, in

EX AMERICAN M.

Fresh ROLL BUTTER.

Eastern & California CHEESE.

Bonesless CODFISH.

Prime HAMS AND BACON.

RUSSIAN CAVIARE.

Kagle Brand Condensed MILK.

PEACH AND APPLE BUTTER.

PICKLED OX-TONGUES.

Fancy PIG-PORK in kegs and pieces.

Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.

Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.

Cutting's Desert FRUITS in 25 lb cans.

Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage

MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted PICKLES.

MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted

MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.

Lunch TONGUE.

McCartly's Sugar LEMONADE.

Clam CHOWDER.

Smoked SALMON.

Green TURTLE in 2 lb cans.

&c., &c., &c.

YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

CALIFORNIA RACKER

COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb

tins, loose.

Alphabetical BIS-

CUTS.

Fancy Sweet Mixed

BISCUITS.

Ginger CAKES.

Soda BISCUITS.

Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

EYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

O. G. A. R. B.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA in

5 star 1/2 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents a lb.

LANDLERY of every Description.

Hongkong, dated

Dec. 8, 1881.

Entertainment.

CITY HALL.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND

THURSDAY.

January 2nd, 3rd and 5th.

And on WEDNESDAY, the 4th January,

A GREAT

MATINEE PERFORMANCE

for FAMILIES and CHILDREN and PEOPLE

living at a distance.

Doors open at 4.00 p.m.

To commence at 4.30 PANTOMIME.

Composed by ARTHUR SULLIVAN.

GLEANING BLUE BREAD;

THE FIEND, THE FAINT, THE FEMALES,

THE CLOWN, THE COLUMBINE, AND

THE PERIS OF PARADISE;

THE SLAVE OF DUTY.

An entirely Original Comic Opera

in Two ACTS.

Written by W. S. GILBERT.

Composed by ARTHUR SULLIVAN.

Major-General STANLEY, Mr. T. R. T. T.

The Pirate King, Mr. S. NEWCOMBE.

Samuel (his Lieutenant), Mr. MILLHOUSE.

Frederick (the Pirate Ap-

prentice), Mr. QUICKLY.

Sergeant of Police, Mr. DRACRE.

Mabel, General M. VON HADAU.

Edith, Miss NIMBLE.

Kate, daughter of Ruth (a Pirate Maid-of-

all-work), Miss C. CHEVYAN.

CHORUS OF PENZANCE;

THE 1000.

After providing for the 10 per cent.

to shareholders and for the Reserve

Fund and interest thereon in manner above

mentioned, the remaining net profits in

each year will be divided amongst all

contributors of Premium whether such

contributors are shareholders in the

Company or not, and in proportion to the

amount of net premium contributed by

them respectively.

It is intended that the Agencies of the

Old Office, established at all well-known

ports throughout the World, shall be con-

tinued, and made available for the New

Company.

The success which has attended the work-

ing of the Old Office during a period of

nearly half-a-century is well known; and

from the results hitherto obtained, it may

be confidently anticipated that supporters

of the New Company, as surplus profits

will now be divided amongst all contribu-

tors of business, will receive a handsome return

on the Premium paid by them.

For the convenience of shareholders, ar-

rangements will be made for the transfer

of shares in London, as well as in Hongkong,

and for their registration by the Company

at the Head Office in Hongkong.

It is proposed to offer shareholders in the

Old Office a preferential Allotment of shares

in the New Company to the extent of their

present interest in the Capital.

Applications for shares should be ad-

dressed to the General Agents direct or

through the several Agencies of the Old

Office, in the annexed form, and will be re-

ceived in Hongkong, Shanghai and London

until Saturday, the 24th instant, at noon.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 30, 1881.

ARRIVALS.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s

Steamship

"Kaiser-L-Hind"

will leave for the above

place about 24 hours after her arrival with

the next English Mail.</

circumstances were clearly justified in asking for the Charter they have now received. Apart from the political side of the question, it is a cause for rejoicing that a British Company, with chartered rights, should be represented in this magnificent island. There is one guarantee at least; no difference of trade or nationality will be allowed to interfere with free and legitimate trade. Traders there will be free from the vexations of the Spanish Custom-House on the one hand, and Dutch Monopolists on the other; and there is every ground for hoping that the immense natural resources of the island, vegetable and mineral, will be developed. To residents in Hongkong, especially the Chinese, the establishment of this Company is of the greatest importance. A goodly proportion of the Borneo produce trade is now in the hands of Hongkong native merchants, as enquiries we have made show; but when the Company is fully established and every facility offered to the Chinese to settle and to trade, we expect that the happiest results will ensue not only to settlers, but to merchants here and in Singapore.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (Per E. E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

RUSSIA AND THE TURKISH DEBT.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

Russia is opposing the settlement of the Turkish debt as proposed, on the grounds that the scheme plagues now revenues.

BELIZE OF ARMS.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

A quantity of ammunition and arms has been seized at Limerick.

MEETING OF LANDLORDS IN DUBLIN.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

A large meeting of landlords has been held in Dublin at which a resolution was passed condemning the administration of the land act, and demanding State compensation.

RESUMPTION OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN ROMANIA AND AUSTRIA.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Friendly relations have been resumed between Austria and Romania.

FIRE AT CRONSTADT.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

A destructive fire has occurred at Cronstadt, and is attributed to Nihilists.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ORDER OF SERVICE AT THE UNION CHURCH.

SUNDAY, JAN. 1st, 1882.

Hymn 203, Tune, page 134; Psalm 103, Tune, page 132; Hymn 443, Tune, page 139; Hymn 304, Tune, page 139.

The Malvina and the Nicias Thayer came out of the Consular Dock to-day, and H. M. S. Tournepaine went into the same dock.

The Single Lawn Tennis Match between Hongkong and Singapore will be played to-morrow afternoon, at 3.30 on the Cricket Ground. Mr Tomkins will represent Hongkong, and Mr D'Almeida Singapore.

We may note that Mr Playfair has relieved Mr. O. Johnson of his duties, as acting British Consul at Pakhoi, and that the latter gentleman proceeds again to Swatow, for temporary service there.

It appears that Calcutta has been indulging in the luxury of an earthquake. The city was of a very mild description, the perceptible effect being to set up a bill of fare. There is no one who had to have a bill of fare.

There is a report of a tennis match, therefore, news, the city has had a competition this afternoon, from the 10th to the 11th, selected to fight against the 12th. Lieut. Charley and Young will fire the 13th. The members of the team are Non-commissioned Officers. Mr. H. J. H. Tripp will represent the 14th. In the meantime, watch the proceedings here and in the papers.

Accounts given of the illuminations omitted to mention that the credit to the whole of the designs on the public buildings was due to the Acting Surveyor General (Mr. Bowdler), whose work during the visit of the Detached Squadron has been no child's play throughout. Of course Mr. Bowdler was ably assisted in carrying the designs into execution; but we ought in all fairness to have noted that the designs themselves emanated from that hard-working official.

The Ceylon Times believes that the frequent and annoying disputes between consignees of goods from Britain, and the local agents are likely soon to come to an end, owing to the introduction of a new style of bill of lading without the objectionable clause to be found in the form "B." The Times remarks that in the smooth water of Colombo Harbour there can be no real accidents of the sea," and that any loss can only arise through defective arrangements for the discharge of cargo.

Part of a somewhat peculiar nature is recorded by the Ceylon Tribune. It seems that a man who had been drawing a pension from the Government for total blindness was discovered reading proof in a newspaper office. He has been arrested for fraud. In the event of his being a proof-reader, says the Tribune, "is the only argument that can make him not blind, his account of his eyesight is that he can see all colours. We shall watch the trial.

with interest, for if the "party" in question obtains a verdict, it is our intention to recommend several members of our staff for total blindness pension immediately.

An intimation has been received from the Horse Guards that the team of the 1st Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, selected to fire in the annual army match for Regiments serving out of India, in September last, have been placed seventeenth in the competition; and that prizes have been awarded to Lieut. Charley and Sergeant Instructor of Musketry Barnes, the former taking thirteenth place amongst the officers, and the latter twenty-third amongst the non-commissioned officers and men.

From Canton we learn that, in addition to the successful Garden Party given to the young Prince by Consul Hewlett, the Royal Midshipmen dined with the Consul in the evening; after which fireworks were blazed away at the Yamen, in presence of the guests and other members of the community. The Prince slept in the Prince's Chamber (王室), so called from its having been occupied by more than one person of Royal blood. Our correspondent, who is somewhat of a Radical on the delicate subject of Princes, has an opinion that the two young scions of the Royal House are "jolly young fellows," and admirable specimens of the genus "English boy." They evidently enjoyed to the full the freedom granted them in the small Foreign Settlement at Canton, and doubtless the community were equally pleased.

UNLIKE the Hongkong Volunteers those of Ceylon are in a state of the liveliest existence. It has been found necessary to amend the Volunteers' Ordinance, and on the 23rd of November the Queen's Advocate moved the first reading of the Bill. In putting it before the Council he said that since the passing of the first Ordinance in 1861 they had gained considerable experience. The Bill is framed on the English Act, and the powers conferred on the Governor in Council were the same as those held by the Secretary of State at Home, and the same powers were given to the men as were given by the Home Act. The Bill was seconded by the Lieut. Governor. With so much material in Hongkong for the formation of a corps, it seems a great pity that the Volunteers should continue in their present moribund condition. It may perhaps be too late to raise the movement into life this winter, but steps might be taken to ensure a good turn-out by the next cold season.

The Colombo Friends-in-need Society accepted its fifty first annual report to a large and influential assembly on the 29th of November during its half century of existence. It has done much good work in the way of relieving necessitous cases, and has been the means of saving the Colony from the incubus of a cumbersome poor law system. It has avoided indiscriminate charity and has through its visitors carefully inquired into the merits of each case before relief is given. The report for the year 1880, ending 30th June—showed an excess of expenditure over receipts of Rs. 2,381, and for 1881 Rs. 2,433. To meet the deficiencies a special fund of Rs. 6,600 was raised by subscription. From the report it seems that the expenditure has unavoidably increased, and the revenue had fallen off. The report detailed the efforts of the Society in relieving those out of employment and in need. The amount granted to each pauper is Rs. 2.25 to Rs. 9.50 a month, and every pauper has to appear before the Committee once every six months unless prevented by bodily infirmities. The report was adopted. There can be no doubt that a Society such as this working in a thoroughly organised manner is of great benefit in relieving many cases of real distress, which would otherwise pass unnoticed.

We are in receipt of the "India" Directory or Red Book for Shanghai 1882, published at the North China Herald Office. The little book is very neatly put up indeed, its illuminated title and its red-bordered pages, it is prettily printed; while the information it contains is genuinely suitable for the ladies of the Settlement. We should think this Ladies' Directory supposes a special want, and it has often occurred to us that a similar compilation would be favourably received in this part of the world, especially if the names of ladies in a few ports nearest to Hongkong were given. A few of the commonest phrases in Chinese and English spelling are given; and the names of places and roads are also appended, in English and Chinese. It will scarcely be believed that the Directory contains three hundred and ninety names—a fact which speaks volumes for the progress of Shanghai as a business centre, but for its advancement as a social community of foreigners, established in the largest Empire in the world, whose social and family system is probably the oldest in existence. The contrast between life in Shanghai twenty years ago and life in the Model Settlement under existing circumstances, with nearly four hundred and fifty thousand people scattered around the family hearth, must be striking as it is immensely satisfactory, and upon the result the Foreign Concession of Shanghai we must heartily be congratulated. In the Directory the bank pages—"Visiting Notes" form a prominent feature, and the Red Book closes with over a dozen pages of information on

matters interesting and useful generally.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council of Ceylon, the Governor announced—

I am glad to be enabled to announce to the Council that their Royal Highnesses Prince Albert, Victor and Prince George, sons of the Prince of Wales, will visit Ceylon early next year, and I am sure that they will be received by the people of Ceylon with a hearty welcome. The *Bacchus* is due in Colombo on the 27th of January, and will remain here some days.

Subsequently the Lieut. Governor moved a vote of Rs. 5,000 for the entertainment of the sons of the Prince of Wales, who were to visit the island. It had been ascertained that the most acceptable form of entertainment to provide for the young Prince would be an elephant kralal, and this was to be got up in some healthy part of the country. The vote, which came under the head of miscellaneous service Bill, was referred to the law officers of the Crown.

The humane task which Mr. Plimell set himself, in regard to cargo ships, is but half the work that has to be done, and it is certainly a national disgrace to the country.

Mr. Plimell set himself to get somebody else, his reason for doing this notice being that he had been scolded. She capitulated in the employ till 17th December, and then left, but was refused her wages.

Mr. Plimell said that plaintiff had all along

SUPREME COURT.
(By SUMMARY JURISDICTION.)

—*J. Russell, Acting Puisne Friday, 27th.*

LAUNG ARI v. DUNN.—This was of 37.47 brought by Laung Ari against Dunn for wages due, but which had been refused on account of plaintiff leaving the defendant's service without giving notice.

The plaintiff said she entered defendant's service on the 18th November at \$3 a month. After being a week in the employ, she charged to get somebody else, her

reason for doing this notice being that she had been scolded. She capitulated in the employ till 17th December, and then left, but was refused her wages.

Mr. Plimell said that plaintiff had all along

seemed to try and give dissatisfaction in her work, and that she had said she wanted to go to the service of another party, where a larger salary would be received. He also

said that the defendant had received no ill treatment of any kind while employed by him.

His Lordship said that the plaintiff had

forfeited any claim for wages by her conduct, and he therefore nonsuited her, and, at

Mr. Dunn's request, his Lordship adjudicated her in no way to interfere with any other

individual offering their services to the defendant as she thereby became liable to

punishment for such an offence.

DOYLE v. SOUZA.—This was a claim

brought by Patrick Doyle against J. de

Souza and another for the sum of \$50 in payment of professional advice given.

Mr. Francis appeared for the defendant.

Patrick Doyle said he was a civil engineer, and had been resident in the Colony for four months. He had been directly and indirectly connected with the press for the last twelve years, and when not employed in his profession devoted himself to literary avocations. On the 10th or 11th December, Mr. Francis intimated to him that Mr. Franco, senior and Mr. Souza would wait upon him with reference to the editing of a newspaper. After being disappointed two or three nights they did wait upon him, and the *pros* and *cons* of the question were discussed, plaintiff being told by defendant that he had definitely settled upon starting a new paper; asking plaintiff at this time to consent to edit the new venture; to this he consented to. (His Lordship here objected to plaintiff making these statements to the court.)

Plaintiff said he was coming to the matter.

He gave them his advice as to publication of a prospectus, in connection with the new paper, and defendant gave him a copy of the prospectus of the *Telegraph* as a guide in its compilation. Plaintiff also drew up the terms under which he would consent to become editor, and these were considered perfectly fair by the defendant.

Mr. Francis read the terms, which set forth that Patrick Doyle would consent to become editor of a new paper at \$150 per month, for six months from the 1st Dec.

1881. Mr. Francis said that the plaintiff

objected to proceed one step in the formation

of the paper until this agreement was

signed and also said that his client had told

Doyle that the negotiations had entirely

broken through, and from these reasons he

(Mr. Francis) thought there was no claim.

His Lordship said that the question was,

of what value were the services rendered by the plaintiff to the defendant.

He valued them at nothing, and said there was

really no claim, and therefore dismissed the case.

* YEOUNG CHEONG v. ADAMS.—(86.)—The plaintiff had been a cook in the employment of Dr. Adams, but had been dismissed by him.

For the "ordinary" messes he charge

was reduced to a rupee for eight words,

instead of a rupee for six words; each additional word being charged two annas.

The chief innovation consisted of the creation

of two new classes of messes—the "urgent" and the "deferred." For the "urgent" messes, which will have

priority over the "ordinary," both in

transmission and delivery, the charge will

be two rupees for eight words, and four

annas for each additional word.

The "deferred" message will take its time, and if it be delivered by the following morning, the department will consider that it is a search for the "ordinary" messes.

For press messages, doubtless through inadvertence in the drawing up of the rates, the charge will practically be more than it is at present. The deferred rates need not be taken into consideration, for telegraphic news that could only be guaranteed to arrive next day might for newspaper purposes be just as well committed to the post.

AMBERS stand at present, press news

can be sent after six o'clock in the evening,

at the rate of thirty-six words for the rupee.

By the "ordinary" press rates the charge will be a rupee for thirty-two words.

Press messages, besides being

subjected to a higher charge, will like

other "ordinary" messages, be liable to be

shunted to allow the winged words of

"urgent" messages precedence. It is to be

hoped that the Government will extend to the liberal provisions of the new tariff to

the press.

CHUN HOOING v. LOWE.—This was a claim

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Hongkong, June 1, 1881.

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NOTICE.

POLICIES on MARINATED in current rates of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, the Company's Profits are distributed Two-thirds to the Shareholders, whether Shareholders are Contributors, or not.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Hongkong, December 27, 1881. 12m/s2

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Glenore*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-day, the 27th December.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 2nd January will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 28, 1881. 13m/s2

STEAM TO "OAUZ."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *Gauge*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium and Treasure—are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 4 p.m. To-day, the 24th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 31st Instant, at noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

— G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, December 24, 1881. 14m/s2

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send to their Agents Lading to the Undersigned for signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtze.

C. R. No. 9, 1 case Flour, Order, from Marseilles.

Ex Amazon.

R. H. & N. J. L. (in dia.) 8/9—2 cases Merchandise, Order, from London.

A. J. H. (in cross) 13/15—2 cases M'dises, Order, from London.

G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, December 12, 1881. 15m/s2

NO. 100.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at 3 per cent. net premium per annum.

MORTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Dec. 30, 1881.

Stocks. Nos. of Shares. Value. Paid up. Reserve. Working Account. Last Dividend. Closing Quotations, Cash.

BANKS.

HK. and Shad. 40,000 \$ 125 \$ 125 \$ 1,900,000 \$ 3,734.00 30/ +11 1/2 prem.

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HK. Wh. & Co.

Gas Co.

HK Kong Hotel

China Sug. Co.

HK Kong Ice Co.

HK Kong Co.

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HK. Wh. & Co.

Loans.

Chile Imp.

1874, 6/275 £ 100 all 8 2/

1875, 16/340 £ 100 all 8 2/

1876, 3/395 £ 100 all 8 2/

1877, 8/465 £ 100 all 8 2/

1878, 14/525 £ 100 all 8 2/

1879, 20/585 £ 100 all 8 2/

1880, 26/645 £ 100 all 8 2/

1881, 32/705 £ 100 all 8 2/

1882, 38/765 £ 100 all 8 2/

1883, 44/825 £ 100 all 8 2/

1884, 50/885 £ 100 all 8 2/

1885, 56/945 £ 100 all 8 2/

1886, 62/1005 £ 100 all 8 2/

1887, 68/1065 £ 100 all 8 2/

1888, 74/1125 £ 100 all 8 2/

1889, 80/1185 £ 100 all 8 2/

1890, 86/1245 £ 100 all 8 2/

1891, 92/1305 £ 100 all 8 2/

1892, 98/1365 £ 100 all 8 2/

1893, 104/1425 £ 100 all 8 2/

1894, 110/1485 £ 100 all 8 2/

1895, 116/1545 £ 100 all 8 2/

1896, 122/1605 £ 100 all 8 2/

1897, 128/1665 £ 100 all 8 2/

1898, 134/1725 £ 100 all 8 2/

1899, 140/1785 £ 100 all 8 2/

1900, 146/1845 £ 100 all 8 2/

1901, 152/1905 £ 100 all 8 2/

1902, 158/1965 £ 100 all 8 2/

1903, 164/2025 £ 100 all 8 2/

1904, 170/2085 £ 100 all 8 2/

1905, 176/2145 £ 100 all 8 2/

1906, 182/2205 £ 100 all 8 2/

1907, 188/2265 £ 100 all 8 2/

1908, 194/2325 £ 100 all 8 2/

1909, 200/2385 £ 100 all 8 2/

1910, 206/2445 £ 100 all 8 2/

1911, 212/2505 £ 100 all 8 2/

1912, 218/2565 £ 100 all 8 2/

1913, 224/2625 £ 100 all 8 2/

1914, 230/2685 £ 100 all 8 2/

1915, 236/2745 £ 100 all 8 2/

1916, 242/2805 £ 100 all 8 2/

1917, 248/2865 £ 100 all 8 2/

1918, 254/2925 £ 100 all 8 2/

1919, 260/2985 £ 100 all 8